



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes and Action Items: July 7, 2011

Chairman: Marshall, in Gordon's Absence
Others Present: Marquez, Nicolson, Brown, Glover, Schaaf, Smith
Absent: Gordon
City Staff: Aaron Klemm
Commission: None
Council Members: None
Public: Taylor Honrath, Chris Lunghino

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved for the July, 2011 meeting, as moved by Schaaf, seconded by Smith.

III. Public Comments

Taylor Honrath with Clean Tech OC attended to speak about policy advocacy. Honrath thanked Cathy Green and Aaron Klemm for their support of the company. Clean Tech OC is a trade association for companies interested in the green industry. They created an event to promote Electric Vehicles that have, or will soon go to market. The 2nd annual conference and expo to advocate countrywide green energy will be held September 12th, in Irvine. Honrath mentioned they are currently undergoing a study regarding the growth of green jobs. They see green jobs as one of the few sectors that has seen job creation instead of job loss, even though the industry is losing many venture capitalists. Also, more companies not already affiliated or classified as green are joining the green industry.

IV. Informational Items:

None.

V. Action Items:

- A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Updates and Announcements-
Seapoint and Garfield Turf Conversion project is a council assignment to the board to facilitate and encourage the Water Division for project completion. The board will view a presentation next month regarding options.

B. MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS

Garguis Mixed Use Development- Smith provided a summary of the board's comments. Best Management Practices don't seem to be implemented in the plan. Significant variances are requested without substantive environmental mitigation measures. Aaron clarified with responses from the city planner that there is one variance request, and other required special permits to ... Marquez suggested a full EIR instead the MND. Schaaf suggested LEED or solar panels to bridge the gap between the public benefit, and variances.

C. FIELD TRIPS-

- Wildlife Care Center.
- OC Sanitation District
- Eco Cover Factory
- Glover suggested a solar walk of the newly completed civic solar projects. The public would be invited.

D. GREEN & SOLAR ENERGY COMMITTEE (Smith, Gordon, Marshall)
Brown is working on a benchmarking system.

Solar Update

Parking lot at City Hall is now under construction.

E. COMMUNICATIONS (Glover/Marquez/Smith)

Submitting Emerald Award Application to Philipino Chamber of Commerce

SCE Energy walk has been postponed to September

F. ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS (Marshall/Marquez/Schaaf)

Klemm put together a criteria proposal for Edison approval of a future award. Schaaf mentioned SCE's Demand-Response program could be the focus of this reward. DR applicants encouraged to apply.

VI. Administrative Items

A. Correspondence/News Articles/Announcements -

1. Klemm was interviewed by the OC Metro for his work on the solar projects.

B. Requests to Place Items on the Next Agenda

VII. Good and Welfare

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned approximately p.m. The next meeting will be held at 6:49 p.m. on August 4, 2011 in room B7.